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Applicant appreciates the Examiner's Statement of the Reasons for Allowance attached to the Notice of Allowability dated November 28, 2007 and submits that the allowed claims recite subject matter which further supports patentability for reasons in addition to those identified in the Reasons for Allowance.

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